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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**CHANGES IN WORK FOR A PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT
FLORENCE AVENUE STREETScape IMPROVEMENTS - PHASE 1
UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF FLORENCE-FIRESTONE
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1 AND 2)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to approve changes in work and the increased contract amount for a public works construction contract to reconstruct roadway for Florence Avenue Streetscape Improvements - Phase 1 in the unincorporated community of Florence-Firestone.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Find that the requested changes in work have no significant effect on the environment and approve the increased contract amount and the changes for the following construction contract:

- Project ID No. RDC0014147 - Florence Avenue Streetscape Improvements - Phase 1, to reconstruct roadway, a concrete bus pad, curb and gutter, sidewalks, and curb ramps; construct crosswalks with concrete pavers and landscaping and irrigation systems; install bus shelters, street furniture, graphic signage, striping and pavement markings, and other streetscape elements; and modify traffic signals, in the unincorporated community of Florence-Firestone, Alliance Streetworks, Inc., for various miscellaneous changes required to complete the work as intended, with an increase in the contract amount of \$162,864.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to obtain your Board's approval for the changes in a public works contract in support of the timely completion of the project while avoiding delays and the potential for claims. The descriptions of the changes, estimated costs, and the necessary time extensions are listed in the attachment.

The Director of Public Works or her designee has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Attached for your authorization are changes in work in excess of the Director of Public Works' delegated limit, which are required to complete the project.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3). Approval of these changes will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public and enhance the quality of life in the affected community.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

These changes in work will have no impact to the County General Fund.

The estimated change order amount for this contract is an increase of \$162,864.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for the project to cover the costs of the requested changes. Detailed cost breakdowns for the changes, together with contract cost summaries, are included in the attachment.

If these changes in work are not approved, contract completion will be delayed and increased costs incurred.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The contract for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The changes in work as described above and in the attachment do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

The contract provides that the contractor be compensated for the work resulting from changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs are based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the costs of the changes are included in the attachment.

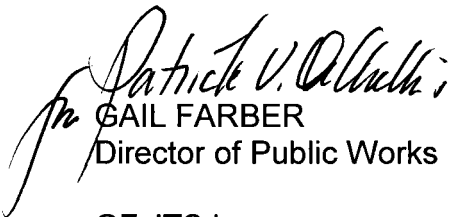
IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the requested changes by your Board will ensure the timely completion of work under the contract and result in complete and usable facilities.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,


GAIL FARBER
Director of Public Works

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Attachment

c: Chief Executive Office (Lari Sheehan)
County Counsel
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

CHANGE IN WORK (AUTHORIZE)
May 19, 2009

PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014147 - FLORENCE AVENUE STREETSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS - PHASE 1 (in the unincorporated community of Florence-Firestone), Supervisorial Districts 1 and 2, Contractor: Alliance Streetworks, Inc.

Project Description:

Reconstruction of roadway pavement, a concrete bus pad, curb and gutter, sidewalks, and curb ramps; construction of crosswalks with concrete pavers and landscaping and irrigation systems; installation of bus shelters, street furniture, graphic signage, striping and pavement markings, and other streetscape elements; modifications of traffic signals; and other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

(1) Replace Underground Traffic Conduits along Florence Avenue	\$151,045.00
(2) Reconstruct Concrete Sidewalks	3,100.00
(3) Reconstruct Curbs, Gutters, and Curb Ramps	<u>8,719.00</u>
Total	<u>\$162,864.00</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) It will be necessary to replace the existing underground traffic signal conduits at every street intersection of Florence Avenue within the project limits because existing conduits are in poor condition. It will be necessary to replace the conduits during this project because the new construction will interfere with accessing the conduits in the future.

(2) It will be necessary to reconstruct the sidewalk at various locations of Florence Avenue to eliminate existing uneven segments. This work is not shown on the plans.

(3) It will be necessary to reconstruct the curb, gutter, sidewalks, and curb ramps at various locations of Florence Avenue to eliminate existing uneven segments and meet ADA requirements. This work is not shown on the plans.

Most of the cost for Item 1 and the costs for Items 2 and 3 will be based on contract unit prices. A portion of Item 1 will be negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications and the remaining cost will be stipulated as provided in Subsection 3-2.3 of the Standard Specifications.

Twenty-three additional working days will be required because of these changes.

Financial Information:

This change in work is included in the Fiscal Year 2008-09 Capital Projects/Refurbishment Budget under C.P. No. 86917.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$3,061,955.25
Changes in work to be authorized	<u>162,864.00</u>
Revised contract amount	<u>\$3,224,819.25</u>
Percent total change to original contract amount	5.3%

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